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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE UNUSUAL CHINESE COMMODITY TRANSACTIONS

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS LITTLE TO ADD TO REFTEL B COMMENTS. IF DEWAR CALLS AGAIN AT EMBASSY, YOU MIGHT ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN COMMODITY INVOLVED. WE CANNOT THINK OF ANY THAT FITS THE CRITERIA OUTLINED IN REFTEL A PARA 2. RE YOUR REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE, DEPARTMENT BELIEVES YOU SHOULD NOT GO MUCH BEYOND EXPRESSING TO DEWAR AN INTEREST IN BEING KEPT INFORMED IF ANYTHING INTERESTING DEVELOPS.

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2. WITHOUT GOING INTO REASONS FOR REQUEST, DEPARTMENT ASKED USDOC TO PROVIDE SOME BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON DEWAR AND HIS FIRM. DELAIR AND DEWAR INC. IS WELL-KNOWN IN PHOENIX ARIZONA AREA, WITH INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

ASSOCIATED WITH CATTLE AND OTHER AGRO-BUSINESSES. FIRM IS
BONA FIDE AND DEWAR APPEARS TO BE A LEGITIMATE BUSINESSMAN.
DEWAR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN A TRADE MISSION
OF AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN TO THE USSR, ORGANIZED UNDER USDOC
AUSPICES, ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, BUT WE WERE UNABLE TO
CONFIRM THIS. KISSINGER

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